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Birdville Independent School District Board Meeting Update

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THE BOARD MET IN SPECIAL SESSION on May 19 and took the following action:

- Approved Dr. Darrell Brown as superintendent of schools for Birdville ISD with a beginning duty date of July 11.
- Announced the administrative appointment of:
Deborah Coulson Principal, David E. Smith Elementary
- Approved the bid for Apple Computing products.

Summary of Actions

- Administered the "Oath of Office" to Place 1 Trustee Joe Tolbert, Place 2 Trustee Dolores Webb, and Place 4 (unexpired term) Trustee Jack McCarty.
- Elected the 2011-12 officers for the Board of Trustees. They are: Richard Davis, president; Ralph Kunkel, vice president; and Brad Greene, secretary.
- Approved the donation of a digital marquee to Birdville High School by the BHS PTSA.
- Approved the monetary donation from Gregg and Cathy Hupp to The Academy at West Birdville for instructional supplies.
- Approved the grant donation from Metro Tex Association of Realtors to Francisco Elementary. The monies will be used to upgrade and maintain the campus courtyard/outdoor classroom space.
- Approved revisions to the district's Energy Efficiency Guidelines. These revisions represent ways the district can save money on utilities.
- Approved the resolution stating the district will continue their commitment to maintain a fund balance of at least a 20 percent of the general operating budget expenditures.
- Approved the resolution to suspend portions of Board Policy EIE (LOCAL) Academic Achievement: Retention and Promotion for the 2011-12 school year. Since the passing standards for the new STAAR tests have not been established by TEA, students in grades five and eight will not be required to pass the STAAR test before promoting to the next grade level.
- Approved the waiver application for the Teacher Data Portal of the Texas Assessment Management System. The waiver will allow BISD time to prepare to utilize the new state system.

Summary of Actions (cont.)

- Approved the waiver request to TEA for missed instruction days due to bad weather on Feb. 3-4, and Feb. 9.
- Approved a five cent increase in meal prices for students beginning with the 2011-12 school year. Elementary prices will be \$2.05 and secondary will be \$2.30.

Recognitions



- John and Angel Nibarger, owners of STI Media, were recognized as active business partners with Green Valley Elementary. They have provided high quality instructional materials, supplies and equipment to the school.



- Rocky Sonemangkhar, Haltom High School senior, was recognized for winning first place in Insurance Concepts at the Business Professionals of America (BPA) national convention. In addition, he tested in a BPA contest and was awarded a Business Professionals of America pin, being named a BPA National Merit winner.

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Recognitions (cont.)



Birdville High School Honorees (Listed Below)



Haltom High School Honorees (Listed Below)



Richland High School Honorees (Listed Below)

- Top-ranking students at Birdville, Haltom and Richland high schools for the Class of 2011 were recognized. Scholars include: Shannon F. Fisherkeller, valedictorian, BHS; Emily Rosa, valedictorian, HHS; Dhara Lad, valedictorian, RHS; Benjamin S. Selby, salutatorian, BHS; Maria Morales, salutatorian, HHS; and Stephanie Cornell, salutatorian, RHS.

- Quoc Anh Peter Tran, Birdville High, was recognized as a National Merit Special Scholarship recipient.

Recognitions (cont.)

- Sixteen seniors were recognized as commended scholars in the National Merit Scholarship Program. They are: Chad Colter, Brandon Hargrove, Rachel Mathson, Kaitlyn Moore, Quoc Anh Peter Tran, and John Wheeler, Birdville High; Robert Ardry, Marshal Hickman and Emily Rosa, Haltom High; and Mason Bass, Mallory Conner, Stephanie Cornell, James Dargan, Jessica Henson, Megan Servage and Amber Small, Richland High.

- Five seniors were recognized as National Hispanic Scholars. They are: Christopher Velez and Ashley Molina, Birdville High; Sebastian Devora, Haltom High; and Emily Ehmann and Jessica Henson, Richland High.

Personnel

- Announced four appointments, 19 resignations and three retirements.

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- Announced the administrative retirement of Jay C. Thompson, Ph.D., interim superintendent/associate superintendent of staff and student services.

- Announced the administrative resignation of Quentin Burnett, Ph.D., associate superintendent for finance.

- Announced the administrative appointment of:
Edward Sorola Director, Business

Bids Awarded

- Approved the bid for beverages for Child Nutrition, bread for Child Nutrition, ice cream for Child Nutrition, milk and juice for Child Nutrition, paper products for Child Nutrition, refrigeration systems upgrades for Child Nutrition, steamers for Child Nutrition, and band uniforms for Richland High School.

- Approved the proposal for worker's compensation third party administrator from Frost Insurance.

- Approved the contract with Rimini Street, Inc. to maintain upgrades, patches and fixes to the PeopleSoft software.

Bids Awarded (cont.)

- Approved the annual renewal of the Microsoft licenses agreement with Dell, Inc.
- Approved the purchase of PSAT test preparation materials from Revolution Prep.
- Approved the renewal of the contract with the AVID Center for the 2011-12 school year.

Discussion Items

- Discussed the Student Code of Conduct and Extracurricular Honor Code for the 2011-12 school year.
- Discussed the proposed revision to Board Policy EHBB (LOCAL) Special Programs, Gifted and Talented Students. If approved, this change will bring BISD in compliance with the state plan.
- Discussed the plan to evaluate software for personnel and business applications to replace the current PeopleSoft system.

Future Board Meetings

- Thursday, June 23, 2011, Regular Board Meeting, open session at 7 p.m., Board Room.



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Dates to Remember

First Day of School
August 22

Labor Day Holiday
September 5



Birdville High School

- **Graduation** - Sunday, May 29, 4:30 p.m.,
Fort Worth Convention Center

Haltom High School

- **Graduation** - Sunday, May 29, 7:30 p.m.,
Fort Worth Convention Center

Richland High School

- **Graduation** - Sunday, May 29, 1:30 p.m.,
Fort Worth Convention Center

